

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS,

Plaintiff,

v.

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL  
MANAGEMENT, LLC,

Defendant.

**Civil Action No. 08-10002-RCL**

**CERTIFICATION OF PLAINTIFF COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 16.1(D)(3)**

Pursuant to Local Rule 16.1(D)(3), the undersigned hereby certifies that Plaintiff Commonwealth of Massachusetts has conferred with counsel (a) with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course – and various alternative courses – of the litigation; and (b) to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs such as those outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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/s/ Zoë Stark